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SUBJECT: Request for confirmation of examiner's consideration of
references
Application No. 10/021,208

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This cover sheet accompanies a 3-page filing requesting confirmation of examiner's consideration of references. The following information identifies the corresponding application.

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1st Applicant: Gary Heartsfield
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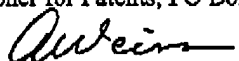
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On Friday (8/15/2003), the undersigned attorney spoke with the examiner regarding the above-identified patent application. The examiner said that he had considered all patents cited in the specification of the present application. The examiner also said that if the applicant desired, the examiner would indicate in writing that such patents were considered.

Therefore, the applicant respectfully submits the enclosed form listing U.S. Patents 3,636,576 and 4,350,721 for initialing by the examiner as considered.

This submission should not be construed as a representation that a search has been made, nor an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

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The Applicant respectfully requests that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

Should the examiner have any questions or concerns that might be resolved by telephone communication, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned attorney at 512-469-6177.

Should any additional fees be required under Rules 1.16 - 1.21 for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Thompson & Knight, L.L.P.'s Deposit Account No. 20-0821/077662.000008/AAW.

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